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ELECTION TO THE GENERAL MEDICAL COUNCIL OF ONE DIRECT REPRESENTATIVE FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

TO REGISTERED MEDICAL PRACTITIONERS IN ENGLAND AND WALES

Dear Sir or Madam,

At the request of many of my friends I am offering myself as a candidate for election to the General Medical Council to fill the vacancy recently announced.

It is recognized on all sides that the directly elected representatives of the profession occupy a position of peculiar responsibility, since the General Medical Council is so largely made up of those appointed by the Royal Colleges, Universities, and other licensing bodies—that is, of those whose experience is in consultative work and in teaching and examining medical students. For this reason it is most important that the directly elected representatives, forming but a small proportion of the whole Council, should have first-hand knowledge of the medical problems which arise in general medical practice: in other words, that they should be able to represent the interests and the point of view of the great body of their fellow practitioners who, having been taught medicine, have never gone on to become teachers.

In seeking your support and vote in this election, I do so as one who is in active general practice, and has been for more than thirty-six years. The work of the practice includes all types of patients—private, national health insurance, and public medical service—and has made me familiar with the medical and economic problems commonly encountered by the family doctor.

During the last twenty years in a variety of medico-political work and offices I have had exceptional opportunities of meeting practitioners from many parts of the country and becoming acquainted with their views, and at the present time I can claim to be in very close touch with their outlook and experiences.

On the subject of medical education I hold the opinion that the curriculum with its necessary tests and qualifying examinations should always have in view the production of the well-educated general practitioner, and that detailed teaching in special subjects should be a matter for the post-graduate period. In the consideration of any future proposals to modify the existing scope of the curriculum I shall always have in mind the attainment of this object.

The educational, administrative, and legislative aspects of medical practice are to-day of such a character as to have heightened the importance and influence of the General Medical Council. It is therefore all the more desirable that the views of the private general practitioner should be amply represented and considered in the deliberations of that body.

Should you do me the honour to elect me it will become my privilege to assist in the work of the Council, to increase the efficiency, to maintain the dignity, and to improve the ethical standards of the profession to which we all belong.

I am,
Yours Sincerely,
H. GUY DAIN.

Bournebrook House,
Selly Oak, Birmingham,
April 6th, 1934.

CANDIDATURE OF DR. H. GUY DAIN FOR ELECTION AS A DIRECT REPRESENTATIVE TO THE GENERAL MEDICAL COUNCIL

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THE GENERAL PRACTITIONER AND ANTE-NATAL SCHEMES

A SURVEY OF THE PRESENT POSITION

Although it is now generally recognized that the incidence of maternal morbidity and mortality might be considerably reduced if ante-natal supervision were more adequate and efficient, the facilities for such supervision are still seriously defective. Local authorities are empowered by the Maternity and Child Welfare Act, 1918, to make provision for the welfare of expectant mothers, and this service has in most areas been provided through clinics established in connexion with the authorities' maternity and child welfare schemes. The most serious disadvantage of the clinic system is that the doctor who examines and advises the pregnant woman at the clinic is not the doctor who will deliver her at her confinement, or who will be called in by the midwife in case of emergency. Efforts have been made in some areas to secure co-operation between the clinic medical staff and the local doctors, but they have not always been successful. Moreover, the system does not embrace the whole of the class for whom it is designed, for many women are unwilling to attend a clinic, and in rural areas distance is a frequent deterrent. The general practitioner is therefore frequently called upon to attend patients of whose previous history he is ignorant, or to deal with complications which might have been prevented by ante-natal treatment.

The ideal would seem to lie in one or more examinations performed, personally, during the ante-natal period by the doctor who will attend at the confinement, or who will be liable to be summoned by the midwife. Women insured under the National Health Insurance Act are entitled to receive ante-natal care, and there is no reason why other women should not be encouraged to visit a doctor, as a matter of course, at least once during pregnancy for examination and advice. There are, however, many women who, although they can afford to engage a midwife, cannot pay private fees for ante-natal examinations, and for this class of patient the local authority should make itself responsible. The additional expenditure involved in such an arrangement would be offset at least partially by the reduction of expenditure on emergency cases.

THE B.M.A.'S PROPOSALS

In ante-natal supervision there lies an important field of preventive medicine which the general practitioner, owing largely to the growth of the clinic system, has tended to neglect. Yet, as the Association emphasized in its "Report on Encroachments on the Sphere of Private Practice" (*British Medical Journal Supplement*, April 20th, 1929, p. 130), no routine medical work is done at the clinics which could not be done equally well by the general practitioner at his surgery or at the patient's

home. The suggestion there made for the utilization of general practitioners in ante-natal work is elaborated in the Association's "Memorandum Outlining a National Maternity Service Scheme for England and Wales" (*British Medical Journal Supplement*, June 29th, 1929, p. 258). The basis of the scheme is the provision for every pregnant woman of the services of a midwife and a doctor, the latter taking ante-natal, natal, and post-natal responsibility. So far as ante-natal services are concerned the Association proposes that:

1. The patient should have free choice of doctor.
2. The medical practitioner chosen by the patient should be notified at an early stage of pregnancy, and his services retained.
3. It should be the doctor's responsibility to see and advise such women as have chosen and been accepted by him whenever they are referred to him by the midwife for any condition arising during or out of the pregnancy.
4. The practitioner should examine the patient at least once during pregnancy, and in every case he should make a complete ante-natal examination between the thirty-second and thirty-sixth weeks stating his opinion either: (*a*) that the case appears to be normal and can probably be safely attended at home by the midwife; (*b*) that there are such conditions as make it desirable that the doctor should be present at the confinement at the patient's home; (*c*) that further ante-natal examinations and treatment are necessary; (*d*) that there are such abnormalities present as make it desirable that the delivery should take place in hospital.
5. It should be incumbent on the midwife to inform the patient of her right to, and of the advantages of, ante-natal examinations.
6. The fee for ante-natal examination and report should be 10s., and for each subsequent ante-natal attendance considered to be necessary there should be an additional fee of 5s. (It is estimated that the number of subsequent attendances necessary would amount to 30 per cent. of the total.)

The advantages of such a scheme are obvious. It would be possible to discover certain abnormalities before the confinement and so anticipate complications; the practitioner, if called in by the midwife at the confinement, would have the advantage of knowledge of the previous history of the case; co-operation between the general practitioner and the midwife would be improved; the midwife would have no occasion to take action outside her own responsibilities, and she would be assured of medical advice throughout the case; the general practitioner's status in this aspect of preventive medicine would be recognized; and women living in rural areas would have the advantage of ante-natal care.

Acceptance in Principle by Ministry of Health

The Association's proposals were in the main endorsed by the Departmental Committee on Maternal Mortality and Morbidity, which outlined a similar scheme, including ante-natal examinations by general practitioners. The Ministry of Health accepted the principle, and proposes at a future date to formulate an enlarged scheme. In the meantime, the Ministry has issued to all maternity and child welfare authorities a Memorandum (156/M.C.W.) urging them to consider the question of extending their existing schemes by introducing a general practitioner service, the additional cost being met from the general Exchequer grant under the Local Government Act, 1929. The Memorandum suggests a plan of action:

A list might be prepared by the authority of those doctors practising in the area who are willing to undertake this service for uninsured women who engaged midwives. The latter should be urged to explain to their patients the advantages of consulting a doctor during pregnancy, and, if the patients are unwilling to attend at the centre, should encourage them to select one of the doctors on the list, who should be the doctor to be called in by the midwife if any emergency should arise. The doctor would arrange to conduct the ante-natal examination either at the patient's home or at his surgery, and he should be offered the facilities of the centre, including the services of the nurse or the health visitor, for the necessary following up of the case and subsequent supervision. In some cases arrangements might be made for the doctor to conduct the examination at the centre with the patient's consent. The midwife engaged by the mother should be kept fully informed, and should be encouraged to undertake as much of the ante-natal care as she is in a position to do. It is essential that the full co-operation of the midwives should be secured; it should be made clear to them that these arrangements are designed in their interests as well as those of their patients.

The minimum scope of ante-natal examinations is indicated in the Ministry of Health Memorandum (145/M.C.W.) on the conduct and scope of ante-natal clinics. On this standard the practitioner should see the patient first at the sixteenth week of pregnancy, unless, owing to trouble at a previous confinement, it is desirable that she should be seen earlier. A full medical and obstetrical history should then be taken, and a physical examination made. The latter should include examination of the urine, estimation of the blood pressure as a standard for future reference, dental examination, pelvic measurements, and examination of the breasts. A vaginal examination should be made, and the Wassermann reaction ascertained where necessary. A special obstetric examination should be made between the thirty-second and thirty-sixth weeks, directed mainly to determining the presentation of the foetus and the relation of head to pelvis. Any abnormality, however slight, observed by the midwife should be referred to the doctor.

Schemes Already Adopted

In Circular 1167, which accompanied the Memorandum (156/M.C.W.) above referred to, the Ministry of Health invited local authorities to consider the question of associating local general practitioners with their ante-natal services, and to submit proposals for such an extension. In several areas new schemes have already been adopted, and the Association suggests that Divisions and Branches should consider the desirability of opening negotiations with their respective local authorities, with a view to the establishment of a general practitioner service for ante-natal examinations along lines acceptable to the profession. They should include in their proposals a provision for a medical advisory committee, on which the Division or Branch would be represented, with the function of controlling the medical service and of dealing with disciplinary cases.

Twenty-one schemes incorporating arrangements for ante-natal examination by general practitioners have been examined. Fourteen apply to county areas with a considerable rural population, five to urban areas, and two are rural district councils' schemes. In most cases the service is an addition to the existing clinic system introduced in consequence of the Interim Report of the Departmental Committee on Maternal Morbidity and Mortality and the Ministry of Health's Memorandum 156/M.C.W., but the Tonbridge Rural District Council, establishing an ante-natal scheme for the first time, has adopted the general practitioner system in preference to clinics.

The Position of the Midwife

The schemes apply to uninsured women who have engaged midwives for the confinement, sometimes with the additional expressed proviso that they are unable or unwilling to attend a clinic, or that they are unable to pay a medical fee. Rutland County Council limits the scheme to uninsured wives of insured men, and to unmarried women. The restriction of the system to women who have engaged midwives is evidence that the medical practitioner is not attempting to supplant the midwife in her attendance at the confinement, and that the local authority is not

endeavouring to establish a general domiciliary medical service, which, in fact, is prohibited by the Maternity and Child Welfare Act of 1918. The attitude of the midwives is a considerable factor in the success or failure of the system, for it is only on their references that the ante-natal examinations are made. The local authorities therefore encourage them to advise their patients to submit to examination, and some schemes provide for the payment of compensation to any midwife who in consequence has a case removed from her care. The schemes apply only to uninsured women, because insured women are already entitled to receive ante-natal care from their insurance practitioner. The Cheshire County Council, however, makes it a condition of the inclusion of a general practitioner's name in its list that he will undertake to furnish to the county council, without fee, reports in respect of insured women. On this account the fee for the examination of uninsured women has been fixed at a higher rate than would have obtained had it been payable in respect of both insured and uninsured women. The Walthamstow scheme also requires reports in respect of insured women, and for these a separate fee of 5s. is paid.

PRACTITIONERS' FEES

Remuneration is generally on the basis of a fee for each examination and report. In some cases, as in Cheshire and Rowley Regis, the local authority limits the number of examinations for which it will pay, and the Hampshire County Council will pay the normal fee only if the conditions as to the number and time of the examinations have been fulfilled. The local authorities usually expect that two examinations will be made, the first a general medical one early in pregnancy, and the second, a full obstetrical one, about the thirty-sixth week. The Association advocated that the fee for this work should be 10s. for the first examination and report, and 5s. for each subsequent one, but in practically all the schemes the fee is fixed at 5s. for each examination and report. This figure seems to have been authorized by the Ministry of Health on the ground that the examinations are not for emergency cases, but may be performed at the doctor's convenience, and it is equivalent to the fee for unspecified services included in the Ministry's scale of fees for doctors summoned by midwives.

The reception which general practitioners have accorded to the schemes varies in different districts. In some areas the medical officer of health reports that the scheme is working satisfactorily, and in others that little, if any, use is made of it. The appended details of the schemes examined will give a general idea of the arrangements in operation in various parts of the country, and it is hoped that other authorities will consider the adoption of similar schemes.

Schemes Examined

CAMBRIDGE COUNTY COUNCIL

The county council proposes to introduce a scheme for uninsured women who have engaged midwives and who are unable to attend an ante-natal clinic owing to distance or physical condition. One examination is to be made in each case; further examinations will be arranged if the doctor considers it necessary. Fees: 5s. for one examination in each case.

CANNOCK RURAL DISTRICT COUNCIL

The scheme applies to uninsured women who have engaged midwives. Fees: 5s. per examination if made at the doctor's surgery or within a mile thereof; and 6s. 6d. if made at the patient's home, over a mile from the doctor's surgery. This arrangement for mileage was made in order to minimize the clerical work of the medical officer of health.

CHESHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

The scheme represents the application to the whole county of the arrangements originally adopted in the Winsford area. It applies to uninsured women, but reports are also required in respect of insured women. The local authority will pay for two examinations of each uninsured woman referred to the doctor by a midwife. It is expected that the first will take place early in pregnancy, and the second, a full obstetrical examination, between the thirty-second and thirty-sixth weeks. The practitioner is required to report on his examination of uninsured women, and also to undertake to furnish to the county council, without fee, reports on insured women referred by midwives whom he examines under the terms of the National Health Insurance Acts. Fees: 10s. 6d. per uninsured patient.

A panel of consultants has been appointed, so that the practitioner can secure a second opinion in difficult cases. A consultant may be called in on the following conditions: (1) that the patient is not in a position to pay a consultant's fee; (2) that the patient's husband is told that, if it is considered he can afford it, a contribution towards a consultant's fee of £3 3s. and travelling expenses will be asked for later; (3) that the doctor calling in a consultant notifies the county medical officer the same day.

The original scheme in Winsford worked excellently, and a large number of women applied for ante-natal examinations when the principle of free choice of doctor was made known.

CORNWALL COUNTY COUNCIL

The scheme applies to uninsured women who have engaged midwives. One examination is made in each case at the thirty-sixth week of pregnancy, and further examinations are arranged if necessary. The medical practitioner is required to send a short report on each case to the county medical officer, who will furnish a copy thereof to the midwife. Fees: 5s. per examination and report, with mileage of 6d. per mile each way, but it is expected that women living within a reasonable distance of the doctor's surgery will attend there.

Arrangements are being made in consultation with the staffs of the hospitals to provide assistance to the general practitioner in difficult or complicated cases. The medical officer of health reports that 108 practitioners out of 164 have agreed to participate in the scheme, and it will probably be generally adopted.

CUMBERLAND COUNTY COUNCIL

Patients eligible under this scheme are uninsured women who engage a midwife for the confinement and who, having regard to considerations of distance and their physical condition, are unable to attend a clinic. The practitioner is required to make a complete ante-natal examination between the thirty-fifth and thirty-sixth weeks of pregnancy, unless an earlier one is indicated. A complete form of ante-natal report is necessary in respect of the first examination, and a continuation form in respect of each subsequent one. Any practitioner who desires a more detailed record for his own use will be supplied, in addition, with the form used at the ante-natal clinics. Fees: For each ante-natal examination 5s.; for mileage, 6d. per mile one way, up to a maximum of 5s., except in isolated areas.

The county medical officer of health arranges for the services of a consultant to be available if a general practitioner desires a second opinion. Consideration is being given to the question of the appointment by the county council of a part-time consultant in obstetrics and gynaecology. The scheme has been evolved by the county medical officer of health in close association with the local general practitioners, by whom it is much appreciated. During the three years of its operation the number of women presenting themselves for ante-natal examination has steadily increased, and it is estimated that approximately one in every two expectant mothers eligible under the scheme now avail themselves of the facilities.

DEVON COUNTY COUNCIL

The scheme applies to uninsured women who have engaged midwives, and who cannot afford to pay for ante-natal examination by a private practitioner, or to whom a maternity and child welfare centre is not reasonably available. The doctor is required to make two examinations in each case, one a general and obstetrical about the sixteenth week, and the other a full obstetrical examination about the thirty-second week of pregnancy. He records the result of each, and sends suitable instructions to the midwife. The report

forms are retained by the doctor until after parturition, when they are returned with an account for his fees to the county medical officer. If the doctor desires a pathological examination of blood, or considers that the patient should be admitted to hospital, application is made to the county medical officer. Fees: 5s. for each examination and report, with mileage at 1s. per mile after the first two miles. Applications for a second opinion are made to the county medical officer.

DORSET COUNTY COUNCIL

Uninsured women who have engaged midwives and are unable to attend a clinic are eligible under the scheme. The practitioner is required to make a general medical and obstetrical examination early in pregnancy, about the sixteenth week, and a full obstetrical examination at a later stage, about the thirty-second week. Fees: 5s. per examination and report.

HAMPSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

The ante-natal service is for the most part administered by means of clinics staffed by general practitioners, but in outlying areas, where the patient is unable to attend, the midwife is instructed to advise her to be examined by one of the practitioners who have expressed their willingness to undertake the service. The council reserves the right to exclude from the list any practitioner whose qualifications for the work the council considers to be insufficient. It is expected that two examinations will be made, one before the sixth month and the other during the last four weeks of pregnancy. Fees: The sum of 10s. per case is paid, provided the two examinations have been made. If the conditions as to the time of the examinations have not been fulfilled, 5s. only is paid for one or more examinations. Mileage is paid at the rate of 1s. a mile each way after the first two miles.

HUNTINGDONSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

A scheme for uninsured women who have engaged midwives. Fees: 5s. per examination.

KENT COUNTY COUNCIL

The service is available to uninsured women who have engaged midwives for their confinements, but who are unable to pay a doctor's fee for ante-natal examination. The practitioner is required to make an examination in all cases referred to him and to report to the county council. Fees: 5s. for each examination and report.

The services of the assistant county medical officer for maternity and child welfare are available to any practitioner needing advice in difficult cases. The county medical officer states that the scheme is working satisfactorily.

KESTEVEN COUNTY COUNCIL

A scheme for uninsured women who have engaged midwives. Fees: 10s. for each case, irrespective of the number of examinations made.

LINCOLN COUNTY BOROUGH

This scheme, which applies to women who engage a midwife, provides that the general practitioner shall be responsible for the ante-natal, natal, and post-natal care of the patient. At least one ante-natal examination is made, not later than the thirty-sixth week of pregnancy, and suitable instructions are given to the midwife. Further examinations are made if the necessity arises. Fees: a fixed rate of 16s. 6d. per case to cover ante-natal and post-natal examinations. The services of a consultant are available when necessary.

LINDSEY COUNTY COUNCIL

Women who have engaged midwives are eligible, and the general practitioner is required to make two examinations in each case, one ante-natal and the other post-natal. Fees: 10s. per case—that is, 5s. for each examination.

ROWLEY REGIS URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL

A scheme to apply to uninsured women who have engaged midwives, and who are unable or unwilling to attend a clinic. It is expected that two examinations will be made in each case, the first, a general medical examination early in pregnancy, and the second, a full obstetrical one at the thirty-sixth week. A report on a prescribed form must be sent to the medical officer of health within three days after the examination. Fees: The council pays for not more than two examinations in each case, the fee being 5s. for each, with report. Payments are made quarterly. Applications for a second opinion are made through the public health department. Although the scheme has been in existence for about two and a half years no use has yet been made of it.

RUTLAND COUNTY COUNCIL

Included in this scheme are uninsured wives of insured persons and single women who engage a midwife. Fees: 5s. per examination; no travelling expenses allowed. The county council has appointed a consultant, whose services will be available to the general practitioner.

STAFFORDSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

The county council proposes to introduce a general practitioner service in areas where there are no clinics. Midwives will refer the patient to her own doctor, who will receive 5s. for each examination and report.

STRETFORD URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL

The scheme applies to uninsured women who are unable to pay for professional attendance. Midwives are encouraged to send their patients to a private practitioner for ante-natal examination, and women attending at the child welfare centre without having booked a midwife are referred to their usual medical attendant by the medical officer of health. All practitioners willing to participate in the scheme are required to undertake to attend patients in emergency if sent for by the midwife in accordance with the requirements of the Midwives Act. The duties of the general practitioner are: (1) to make such ante-natal examinations as may be required, and to see and advise patients referred to him by the midwife for any abnormal condition; (2) to make a general medical examination about the sixteenth week, and a detailed medical and pelvic examination between the thirty-second and thirty-sixth weeks, and to advise as to any further examinations required; (3) to submit a report to the medical officer of health. Fees: 5s. for each examination and report. The services of a consultant obstetrician will be available to the general practitioner.

TONBRIDGE RURAL DISTRICT COUNCIL

A scheme for women who have engaged midwives but who are unable to pay medical fees. Fees: 5s. for each examination. The council has made arrangements with the Tunbridge Wells Corporation whereby suitable cases from the rural district can be referred to the ante-natal clinic for examination by a specialist. Applications for a second opinion are made through the medical officer of health.

The council has adopted the method of utilizing the services of the local general practitioners in preference to the establishment of ante-natal clinics, in the hope that it will encourage women to accept ante-natal supervision as part of the normal preparation for confinement rather than an emergency measure, implying some dangerous or unusual condition.

TYNEMOUTH COUNTY BOROUGH

Uninsured women who have engaged midwives but who are unable to attend the ante-natal clinic are eligible. The examination is made in the patient's own home. If the doctor considers a second examination necessary he will notify the medical officer of health to that effect. Fees: 5s. for each examination, provided the medical officer of health is satisfied that an examination in the patient's home was necessary.

WALTHAMSTOW BOROUGH COUNCIL

The scheme is part of a maternity service to be provided through the Thorpe Coombe Maternity Home from May, 1934, and the ante-natal service will apply to women who arrange for confinement at the Home without the attendance of a doctor. Midwives' cases will have the choice of attending an ante-natal clinic at the Home or of receiving ante-natal examinations from a general practitioner practising in the

borough. Uninsured women, on booking their confinement with the matron of the Home, will be referred to the private practitioner of their choice for ante-natal examination. In normal cases two further examinations will be made, six weeks and two weeks respectively before the expected date of delivery. A report, on a prescribed form, will be completed by the general practitioner at the first examination, and the progress of the pregnancy will be recorded at each subsequent examination. Reports will be required in respect of both insured and uninsured women. Fees: The practitioner will be paid 5s. for each of the three examinations of uninsured women together with the report. A fee of 5s. will be paid for the report in respect of insured women.

WEST RIDING COUNTY COUNCIL

The scheme applies to uninsured women who have engaged midwives. It is in force in rural areas where there is no ante-natal clinic within reasonable distance, and it is worked on similar lines to that of emergency calls under the Midwives Act. The form of request for examination completed by the midwife is an authority to the general practitioner to make a general medical examination early in pregnancy, and a full obstetrical one at the seventh or eighth month. Fees: 5s. for each examination, with mileage of 1s. per mile after the first two miles on the outward journey only. Cases requiring the opinion of a consultant are referred to the county medical officer.

THE INSURANCE MEDICAL SERVICE WEEK BY WEEK

A Sensible Relaxation of Rules

It is always pleasant—perhaps because it is so rare—to read of a relaxation of rules. We therefore give with some satisfaction an extract from the report of the London Medical Benefit Subcommittee, from which it appears that there has been sanctioned a departure from the ordinary prescribed procedure relating to cases claimed to be outside the insurance practitioner's contract.

RANGE OF SERVICE—REFRACTION OF EYES

We have recently had under consideration the case of a certain practitioner who has for some time past regularly submitted to the Committee Forms G.P. 45 relative to the service of refraction of eyes rendered by him to his insured patients. We decided to request the Minister of Health to approve an arrangement whereby such notices received from the practitioner should be dealt with summarily by the Committee and not by the method prescribed in the Regulations, provided that the Committee was satisfied that the nature of the treatment given was similar to that in cases which had already been referred to the Ministry. The Ministry was approached for the desired approval and the Local Medical Committee informed of the steps taken in this connexion. The Local Medical Committee has informed us that it concurs with the modified procedure in dealing with Forms G.P. 45 received from the practitioner in question, provided that all cases dealt with summarily by the Insurance Committee shall be similar in every particular as regards the nature of the treatment given to cases which have previously been submitted to the Committee, and found to be "outside the range of service," and that such consent shall not abrogate their right to consider any case upon its merits at any time.

The Minister of Health is prepared to agree, provided the Committee arranges for the Forms G.P. 45 dealt with under this procedure to be forwarded to the Department. In the circumstances we propose in future to deal summarily with any Forms G.P. 45 submitted by the practitioner referred to in this report which relate solely to the service of refraction of eyes, and we will submit the necessary particulars to the Committee from time to time.

The practitioner in this case would doubtless have welcomed a further relaxation of rules exempting him from the necessity for sending in Forms G.P. 45, but this would be expecting just a little bit too much.

On Calling in Another Doctor

In the case of a private patient, a practitioner who has just come in to a very late lunch after a busy surgery and a round of visits may perhaps allow himself a little latitude of expression when a patient's wife insists upon his leaving his lunch and coming to see her husband forthwith. He might even be pardoned for allowing the disappointed caller to go off and call in another doctor. But in the case of an insurance patient he must exercise a little more care and patience. We are moved to these reflections by a report of a London case in which it was found that the practitioner had not committed any breach of the Terms of Service, but was gently admonished as being not entirely free from blame in connexion with an undoubted misunderstanding which arose. The following extract from the report contains an interesting statement of the Subcommittee's views on the case:

> We think it is unfortunate that the practitioner should have allowed the wife and the neighbour to leave his residence with a view to obtaining the services of another practitioner when he might have made it clear to them that he would visit the patient within a reasonably short time. We have no doubt that he was somewhat irritated at being disturbed from his belated meal, but he had a definite responsibility towards his patient, who in fact was suffering a septic condition of the arm, which eventually necessitated hospital treatment. We feel that, on reflection, the practitioner would agree that his handling of the case left something to be desired, and we are glad to learn that he has offered to refund the cost of the treatment obtained from the other practitioner, which amounted to £2 10s.

Incidentally, in the course of this case, the practitioner came to grief on a new issue which arose during the hearing. It transpired that, although he did not see the patient between January 9th and 20th, he issued a certificate on January 15th. The Subcommittee very properly informed him that, as the signing of the certificate without seeing the patient raised a new issue, it was prepared to adjourn the hearing of the case in order that the practitioner might consider his position in regard thereto. After a private consultation with the representative of the Panel Committee, who was present, the practitioner stated that he admitted the issue of the certificate, and did not desire an adjournment of the hearing.

About a Carbuncle

In another case reported at the same meeting of the Insurance Committee, complaint had been made by an insured person that he had had to call in another medical practitioner and pay his account, owing, as he alleged, to the fact that the insurance practitioner concerned would not undertake surgical work, although he had advised an operation. This proved at the hearing to be quite untrue. The insured person was suffering from a carbuncle which was discharging freely, and the practitioner, who was giving injections of vaccine, did not consider it a suitable case for operation. The insured person had, however, booked rooms at the seaside for a holiday, and wanted the earliest possible treatment so as to get away on the appointed day for his holiday. The practitioner stated that he completely disapproved of surgical treatment, and that it was unnecessary and unwise. The Medical Service Subcommittee expressed the view that the course of treatment adopted by the practitioner was both proper and adequate, and that there was no necessity for the services of another practitioner to be obtained merely in order that a particular course of treatment favoured by the insured person might be adopted owing to his anxiety to proceed to the seaside on the date fixed for his holiday. Some observations by the Medical Service Subcommittee as to the conduct of the insured person would not have been out of place. It is true that remarks of this kind do not strictly fall within the duties of the Subcommittee, whose report must embody findings of fact and inferences of fact. It has, however, been mentioned earlier in these notes that reflections on the conduct of the practitioner sometimes find a place in the Subcommittee's report, and we may express the hope that in this case the absence of any reflection on the conduct of the insured person was due to inadvertence.

Meetings of Branches and Divisions

BORDER COUNTIES BRANCH: CUMBERLAND DIVISION

A general meeting of the Cumberland Division, open to all consultants and Keswick practitioners, was held at Keswick on February 22nd, when Mr. A. J. CAIRD was in the chair, and eighteen members and four non-members were present. The meeting was informed of the recent decision of the Cumberland County Council to co-opt as a member of the Health Committee the chairman for the time being of the Cumberland Division. The Central Ethical Committee's suggestions for the revision of the rules concerning medical consultation and medical inspectors were considered and unanimously approved.

Cases of interest were shown by Drs. J. R. BURNETT, G. R. BURNETT, J. MATHEWSON, and A. W. WAKEFIELD, and considerable discussion was evoked.

Tea was provided by the kindness of Dr. Wakefield, who had also made all arrangements for the meeting, and by the courtesy of the hospital committee a visit to the new theatre was included in the programme.

On the motion of Mr. J. N. J. Hartley, seconded by Dr. N. DOUGLAS SMITH, the thanks of the meeting were conveyed to those who had shown cases, to the hospital committee, and to Dr. Wakefield.

EDINBURGH BRANCH: EDINBURGH AND LEITH DIVISION

A meeting of the Edinburgh and Leith Division was held at the B.M.A. Scottish House, 7, Drumsheugh Gardens, Edinburgh, on March 20th, when approximately one hundred practitioners were present. The question of the advisability of organizing a public medical service in Edinburgh was considered. Following an address on the subject by Dr. ROBERT FORBES (Deputy Medical Secretary), the meeting passed the following resolutions:

1. That the establishment of a public medical service in Edinburgh is in the public interest and should be proceeded with immediately, and that such service should be under the jurisdiction and control of the medical practitioners.
2. That a committee be set up to prepare a public medical service scheme suitable to the city of Edinburgh and to report to a future meeting of all general practitioners, called by the Edinburgh and Leith Division at the earliest possible moment.

GLASGOW AND WEST OF SCOTLAND BRANCH: GLASGOW DIVISION

A general meeting of the Glasgow Division was held at Glasgow on February 21st, when Dr. J. G. MCCUTCHEON was in the chair and eighteen members were present.

A golf subcommittee was appointed to organize a tournament as the first (Division) stage of the Treasurer's Cup golf competition. Members of the Division wishing to take part in the tournament should send in their names at once to Dr. E. J. Primrose, 8, Royal Crescent W., Glasgow, C.3, or to Dr. J. G. McCutcheon, 14, Belmont Street, Glasgow, W.2, as it is hoped to play off the first (Division) stage before the end of April.

Drs. A. K. CHALMERS, JAMES DUNLOP, and J. INGLIS CAMERON presented short reports on the Annual Meeting at Dublin. The Central Ethical Committee's suggestions for the revision of the rules concerning medical consultation and medical inspectors were considered, and the chairman and secretary were instructed to submit certain criticisms and suggestions to headquarters.

STAFFORDSHIRE BRANCH: WALSALL AND LICHFIELD DIVISION

A meeting of the Walsall and Lichfield Division was held at Wallsall General Hospital on February 9th, when Dr. J. B. GARMAN was in the chair and twenty-four members were present.

Mr. F. G. ALLAN gave a demonstration of cases illustrating modern methods in the treatment of fractures; he was assisted by Dr. R. FORREST, who was responsible for the arrangements. Mr. Allan explained the advantages of the ambulatory method of treating fractures of the leg in preventing the stiffness and swelling which usually followed prolonged rest in bed. Discussing fractures of the arm, he emphasized the importance of attending to flexion; extension, he said, would look after itself. Dealing with fractures of both bones of the forearm, he said how difficult it was to secure reduction by ordinary methods. He demonstrated Böhler's method of passing a wire through the heads of the metacarpals and exercising traction on the taut wire. He expressed the view that it was well worth while attempting to reduce intracapsular fracture of the neck of the femur, and he demonstrated Whitman's method of traction through the ankle with counter-traction through a Thomas splint applied to the limb. He regarded 50 per cent. of successes as good. Fractures of the shaft of the femur, he said, were practically the only ones receiving treatment from the massage department. Methods of reduction in fractures of the spine were demonstrated, the underlying principle being traction—for example, by raising the prone patient by the ankles, and by pressure on the site of the fracture. Complete reduction might be effected if attempted within four or five days. As a first-aid "tip," Mr. Allan said that if such a casualty were laid on the stretcher face down reduction might be effected by the time of arrival at hospital. The difficulty was to prevent dyspnoea, but that might be overcome.

On the motion of the CHAIRMAN Mr. Allan was accorded a hearty vote of thanks, and also Dr. Forrest for the excellent arrangements.

SURREY BRANCH: KINGSTON-ON-THAMES DIVISION

At a meeting of the Kingston-on-Thames Division, held at Surbiton Hospital on February 13th, Dr. L. J. WITTS read a paper on "Vitamins and Vitamin Preparations in General Practice." He pointed out that, in the present state of our knowledge, the administration of large quantities of synthetic vitamin, to which the body had never been accustomed, might conceivably have unrecognized or harmful after-results. The lecture was listened to with keen interest, and was followed by a discussion. The meeting closed with a vote of thanks to Dr. Witts, on the motion of Mr. T. STORDY.

SURREY BRANCH: RICHMOND DIVISION

A meeting of the Richmond Division was held at Richmond Royal Hospital on February 9th, when Mr. VAUGHAN PENDRED was in the chair and thirteen members were present. Mr. OSWALD W. ADDISON read a paper, illustrated by lantern slides, on surgical problems of the urinary tract in children. On the motion of the CHAIRMAN a cordial vote of thanks was accorded Mr. Addison for his paper.

Naval and Military Appointments

ROYAL NAVAL MEDICAL SERVICE

Surgeon Commander C. G. Sprague to the *Cyclops*.

Surgeon Lieutenants W. D. Gunn to the *London*, on recommissioning; J. G. Slimon to the *Victory*.

ROYAL NAVAL VOLUNTEER RESERVE

Surgeon Lieutenant Commander J. L. Cox to the *Victory*, for Haslar Hospital.

Surgeon Lieutenant K. Forsythe to the *Victory*, for Haslar Hospital.

Probationary Surgeon Sublieutenant R. T. Jones to the *Valiant*.

ROYAL AIR FORCE MEDICAL SERVICE

Wing Commander W. A. S. Duck to Headquarters, Inland Area, Stanmore, for duty as Deputy Principal Medical Officer.

Flying Officer D. R. Crabb to No. 2 Armament Training Camp, North Coates Fittes.

ROYAL AIR FORCE RESERVE: MEDICAL BRANCH

Flight Lieutenant E. J. T. McWeeney relinquishes his commission on completion of service.

T. J. B. A. Macgowan is granted a commission as Flying Officer in Class DD.

REGULAR ARMY RESERVE OF OFFICERS

ROYAL ARMY MEDICAL CORPS

Major P. S. Stewart, having attained the age limit of liability to recall, ceases to belong to the Reserve of Officers.

INDIAN MEDICAL SERVICE

Colonel D. P. Goil, Surgeon-General with the Government of Bengal, has been nominated as member of the Medical Council of India under Clause (*a*) of Subsection (1) of Section 3 of the Indian Medical Council Act, 1933 (XXVII of 1933).

The services of Lieut.-Col. C. M. Plumptre, officiating superintendent, St. George's Hospital, Bombay, are placed at the disposal of the Government of Madras for employment as professor of midwifery, Medical College, and superintendent, Government Hospital for Women and Children, Madras.

The services of Captain J. E. Gray are placed temporarily at the disposal of the Government of Bombay as from January 31st.

Lieutenant R. J. Jarvie to be Captain (provisional).

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Diary of Central Meetings

APRIL

25 Wed. Grants Subcommittee, 2 p.m.
27 Fri. Ophthalmic Committee

MAY

3 Thurs. Charities Committee
8 Tues. Central Ethical Committee
9 Wed. Hospitals Committee
10 Thurs. Insurance Acts Committee
11 Fri. Public Health Committee
16 Wed. Medico-Political and Parliamentary Committee

TABLE OF DATES

April 14, Sat. Last day for receipt at Head Office of clinical papers by medical students and newly qualified practitioners.

April 21, Sat. Publication of Annual Report of Council in *Supplement*.

April 28, Sat. Last day for receipt at Head Office of Nominations: (i) by a Division, or not less than 3 members, for election of 24 Members of Council by grouped Branches in the British Isles; (ii) for election of 2 Public Health Service Members of Council, and 4 Representatives of Public Health Service in Representative Body.

May 12, Sat. Publication in the *Supplement* of list of Nominations for election of (i) 24 Members of Council by grouped Branches in the British Isles; (ii) 2 Public Health Service Members of Council, and 4 Representatives of Public Health Service in Representative Body.
Voting papers posted from Head Office where there are contests in the above elections.
Applications for Scholarships and Grants must be received at Head Office by this date.

May 14, Mon. Motions by Divisions and Branches for A.R.M. Agenda on matters of which two months' notice must be given must be received at Head Office by this date.

May 19, Sat. Publication in *Supplement* of Motions and Amendments by Divisions and Branches for A.R.M. on matters of which two months' notice must be given.
Representatives and Deputy Representatives must be elected by this date.
Last day for receipt at Head Office of Voting Papers for election, where there are contests, of (i) 24 Members of Council by grouped Branches in the British Isles; (ii) 2 Public Health Service Members of Council, and 4 Representatives of Public Health Service in Representative Body.

June 2, Sat. Publication in *Supplement* of result of election of Members of Council by grouped Branches, and of result of election of Members of Council and Representatives in Representative Body by Public Health Service Members.
Nomination papers available (on application at Head Office) for election of 12 Members of Council by grouped Representatives (British Isles).

June 7, Thurs. Names of Representatives and Deputy Representatives must be received at Head Office by this date.

June 21, Thurs. Meetings of Constituencies must be held between this date and July 19th to instruct Representatives.

June 23, Sat. Publication of Supplementary Report of Council in *Supplement*.

July 4, Wed. Other items for inclusion in A.R.M. printed Agenda must be received at Head Office by this date.

July 20, Fri. Annual Representative Meeting, Bournemouth.

July 21, Sat. Annual Representative Meeting, Bournemouth.

July 23, Mon. Annual Representative Meeting, Bournemouth.
Council.

July 24, Tues. Annual Representative Meeting; Annual General Meeting; President's Address, Bournemouth.

July 25, Wed. Council.
Conference of Honorary Secretaries, Bournemouth.
Meetings of Sections, etc., Bournemouth.

July 26, Thurs. Meetings of Sections, etc., Bournemouth.
Annual Dinner of the Association, Bournemouth.

July 27, Fri. Meetings of Sections, etc., Bournemouth.

G. C. ANDERSON,
Medical Secretary.

Association Notices

BRANCH AND DIVISION MEETINGS TO BE HELD

ABERDEEN BRANCH: CITY OF ABERDEEN AND ABERDEEN AND KINCARDINE COUNTIES DIVISIONS.—At 29, King Street, Aberdeen, Thursday, April 12th, 8.30 p.m. B.M.A. Lecture by Dr. J. M. Robson (Edinburgh): "Pregnancy Diagnosis in Theory and in Practice."

CAMBRIDGE AND HUNTINGDON BRANCH: PETERBOROUGH DIVISION.—At Great Northern Hotel, Peterborough, Wednesday, April 11th, 3 p.m. Inaugural meeting.

ESSEX BRANCH: SOUTH ESSEX DIVISION.—Friday, April 13th. Demonstration of cinematograph films of medical and surgical interest.

GLOUCESTERSHIRE BRANCH.—At Gloucester, Thursday, April 12th. Clinical meeting.

HERTFORDSHIRE BRANCH: BARNET DIVISION.—At Barnet, Tuesday, April 10th, 8 p.m. Address by Mr. Russell Howard.

METROPOLITAN COUNTIES BRANCH: CITY DIVISION.—At Islington Public Library, Tuesday, April 10th, 9.30 p.m. Popular Lecture by Sir Henry Gauvain: "Cripples and their Care." At Metropolitan Hospital, Kingsland Road, E., Friday, April 13th, 4.30 p.m. Dr. P. Hamill: Medical cases.

METROPOLITAN COUNTIES BRANCH: GREENWICH AND DEPTFORD DIVISION.—At 41, Creek Road, Deptford, Tuesday, April 10th, 9 p.m. Discussion: Official Attitude of the British Medical Association towards the Welfare and Future of the General Practitioner. Dr. C. Hill (Assistant Medical Secretary) will be present.

METROPOLITAN COUNTIES BRANCH: KENSINGTON DIVISION.—At Princess Beatrice Hospital, Richmond Road, S.W., Friday, April 13th, 8.45 p.m. Annual meeting.

METROPOLITAN COUNTIES BRANCH: ST. PANCRAS DIVISION.—At Highgate Hospital, Tuesday, April 10th. Clinical meeting arranged by medical superintendent.

METROPOLITAN COUNTIES BRANCH: SOUTH MIDDLESEX DIVISION.—At St. John's Hospital, Twickenham, Wednesday, April 11th, 9 p.m. Dr. G. B. Dowling: "Common Skin Diseases."

METROPOLITAN COUNTIES BRANCH: STRATFORD DIVISION.—At St. Mary's Hospital, Plaistow, Tuesday, April 10th, 3 p.m. Clinical meeting.

NORTH OF ENGLAND BRANCH: BLYTH DIVISION.—At King's Head Hotel, Blyth, Thursday, April 12th, 8.15 p.m. Annual dinner, in conjunction with Morpeth Division. The chief guest will be Dr. G. C. Anderson (Medical Secretary).

NORTHAMPTONSHIRE BRANCH.—At Northampton General Hospital, Tuesday, April 10th, 3 p.m. Mr. P. H. Mitchiner: "Tannic Acid Compress Treatment of Burns and Scalds."

SHROPSHIRE AND MID-WALES BRANCH.—At Royal Salop Infirmary, Shrewsbury, Friday, April 13th, 3.45 p.m. B.M.A. Lecture by Dame Louise McIlroy: "Haemorrhage in Obstetric Practice."

SOUTHERN BRANCH: ISLE OF WIGHT DIVISION.—At Unity Hall, Newport, Thursday, April 12th. Dr. Macdonald Critchley: 3.15 p.m., "Epilepsy and the General Practitioner"; 4.30 p.m., "Some Common Neuroses."

SOUTHERN BRANCH: PORTSMOUTH DIVISION.—Thursday, April 12th. Clinical meeting.

SOUTHERN BRANCH: WINCHESTER DIVISION.—At Royal Hampshire County Hospital, Winchester, Wednesday, April 18th, 3 p.m. Clinical cases.

SOUTH WALES AND MONMOUTHSHIRE BRANCH.—At Newport, Thursday, April 12th. Clinical meeting.

SUFFOLK BRANCH: WEST SUFFOLK DIVISION.—At Worlington, Thursday, May 3rd. Annual golf competition.

SURREY BRANCH: KINGSTON-ON-THAMES DIVISION.—At Surbiton Hospital, Tuesday, April 10th, 8.30 p.m. Dr. H. Warren Crowe: "Chronic Rheumatic Diseases, their Classification and Treatment."

SURREY BRANCH: REIGATE DIVISION.—At East Surrey Hospital, Redhill, Tuesday, April 10th, 8.45 p.m. Dr. C. P. Blacker: "Principles and Practice of Contraception."

SURREY BRANCH: RICHMOND DIVISION.—At Royal Hospital, Richmond, Friday, April 13th, 3.30 p.m Clinical meeting.

DIARY OF SOCIETIES AND LECTURES

ROYAL SOCIETY OF MEDICINE

United Services Section.—Mon., 4.30 p.m. Annual General Meeting. Election of Officers and Council for 1934–5. Paper by Surgeon Commander J. G. Danson: Symptom of Vertigo.

HACKNEY MEDICAL SOCIETY.—At Metropolitan Hospital, Kingsland Road, E., *Wed.*, 9.30 p.m. Dr. R. Klaber: Diagnosis and Treatment of some Common Skin Ailments.

HUNTERIAN SOCIETY.—At Simpson's Restaurant, Cheapside, E.C., *Mon.*, 7.15 p.m. Annual General Meeting, followed by an address by Sir Frederick Hobday: The Debt Veterinary Science Owes to John Hunter.

LONDON JEWISH HOSPITAL MEDICAL SOCIETY, Stepney Green, E.—*Thurs.*, 3 p.m., Clinical Meeting.

MEDICAL SOCIETY OF INDIVIDUAL PSYCHOLOGY.—At 11, Chandos Street, W., *Thurs.*, 8.30 p.m. Dr. H. C. Squires: Individual Psychology and the European in the Tropics.

NORTH LONDON MEDICAL AND CHIRURGICAL SOCIETY.—At Royal Northern Hospital, Holloway Road, N., *Thurs.*, 9 p.m. Clinical Demonstration by Dr. E. G. B. Calvert.

SOCIETY FOR THE STUDY OF INEBRIETY.—*Tues.*, 1.30 p.m., at Langham Hotel, W., Jubilee Luncheon. 4 p.m., at 11, Chandos Street, W., Annual Meeting. Commemoration Oration by Sir Humphry Rolleston: Aims and Work of the Society for the Study of Inebriety during the Fifty Years of its Existence.

SOUTH-WEST LONDON MEDICAL SOCIETY.—At Bolingbroke Hospital, Wandsworth Common, S.W., *Wed.*, 9 p.m. Dr. T. C. Hunt: Recent Advances in Treatment.

WEST KENT MEDICO-CHIRURGICAL SOCIETY.—At Miller General Hospital, S.E., *Fri.*, 8.45 p.m. Dr. H. Letheby Tidy: Modern Methods in the Treatment of Anaemia.

POST-GRADUATE COURSES AND LECTURES

FELLOWSHIP OF MEDICINE AND POST-GRADUATE MEDICAL ASSOCIATION, 1, Wimpole Street, W.—*St. Mark's Hospital*, City Road, E.C.: All-day Course in Proctology. *Infants Hospital*, Vincent Square, S.W.: Course in Infants' Diseases, afternoons. *British Red Cross Clinic for Rheumatism*, Peto Place, N.W.: Tues. and Thurs., 8 p.m., Course in Rheumatism. *Southend-on-Sea General Hospital*: Sat. and Sun., all day, Course in Medicine and Surgery. *Medical Society of London*, 11, Chandos Street, W.: Tues., 2.30 p.m., Lecture-Demonstration by Dr. Clark-Kennedy, Shortness of Breath; Wed. and Fri., 8.30 p.m., Lectures by Dr. Philip Ellman on Pulmonary Tuberculosis. *National Temperance Hospital*, Hampstead Road, N.W.: Sat., 3 p.m., Demonstration of Surgical Cases by Mr. Mortimer Woolf. *West End Hospital for Nervous Diseases*, In-patient Department, Gloucester Gate, N.W.: Wed., 8.30 p.m., Demonstration on the Fundus Oculi by Mr. Lindsay Rea (specially suitable for M.R.C.P. candidates). *Panel of Teachers*: Individual clinics in various branches of medicine and surgery are available daily by arrangement. Courses of instruction, clinics, lectures, etc., arranged by the Fellowship are open only to members and associates.

CENTRAL LONDON THROAT, NOSE AND EAR HOSPITAL, Gray's Inn Road, W.C.—*Fri.*, 4 p.m., Mr. A. Lowndes Yates, Emergency Operations in the Throat, Nose, and Ear.

ROYAL NORTHERN HOSPITAL, Holloway Road, N.—*Tues.*, 3.15 p.m., Mr. E. I. Lloyd, Surgery of Poliomyelitis.

GLASGOW POST-GRADUATE MEDICAL ASSOCIATION.—At Western Infirmary: *Wed.*, 4.15 p.m., Dr. J. G. Macgregor-Robertson, Venereal Diseases (Male).

LEEDS POST-GRADUATE CLINICAL DEMONSTRATIONS.—At Leeds General Infirmary: *Tues.* 3.30 p.m., Mr. Black, Demonstration of Ophthalmic Cases.

LIVERPOOL UNIVERSITY CLINICAL SCHOOL ANTE-NATAL CLINICS.—Royal Infirmary: *Mon.* and *Thurs.*, 10.30 a.m. Maternity Hospital: *Mon., Tues., Wed., Thurs.*, and *Fri.*, 11.30 a.m.

MANCHESTER: ANCOATS HOSPITAL.—*Thurs.*, 4.15 p.m., Mr. P. G. McEvedy, Diseases of the Salivary Glands.

MANCHESTER ROYAL INFIRMARY.—*Tues.*, 4.15 p.m., Mr. W. H. Hey, Present Position of Treatment of Cancer of the Breast. *Fri.*, 4.15 p.m., Dr. W. Brockbank, Demonstration of Medical Cases.

SALFORD ROYAL HOSPITAL.—*Fri.*, 4.15 p.m., Mr. R. Ollerenshaw, Surgical Treatment of Paralysis.

VACANCIES

ABERDEEN CITY.—J.R.M.O. (male) at City (Fever) Hospital.

ALBERT DOCK HOSPITAL, Connaught Road, E.—R.M.O. (male).

BARROW-IN-FURNESS: NORTH LONSDALE HOSPITAL.—R.C.O. (male).

BIRMINGHAM CITY.—(1) J.A.M.O.'s and (2) Second A.M.O. (male) at Erdington House.

BIRMINGHAM AND MIDLAND EYE HOSPITAL.—R.S.O.

BRIGHTON COUNTY BOROUGH.—Senior R.A.M.O. (male, unmarried) at Poor Law Institution.

BRIGHTON EDUCATION COMMITTEE.—Assistant School M.O. and Assistant to M.O.H. (male).

BRIGHTON: ROYAL SUSSEX COUNTY HOSPITAL.—Hon. Clinical Assistant (male) to Ophthalmic Department.

BRISTOL UNIVERSITY.—Lecturer (Grade II) in Dental Mechanics.

CAMBRIDGE: ADDENBROOKE'S HOSPITAL.—(1) H.P. (2) H.S. to Special Departments. (3) Resident Anaesthetist and Emergency Officer. Males, unmarried.

CANTERBURY: KENT AND CANTERBURY HOSPITAL.—H.S. (male).

CHESTER CITY HOSPITAL.—Senior R.M.O. (male).

CHINESE ENGINEERING AND MINING CO. LTD., 3, London Wall Buildings, E.C.—District M.O. (male) for Kailam Mining Administration.

CROYDON COUNTY BOROUGH.—J.R.A.M.O. (male) at Mayday Hospital.

EAST HAM MEMORIAL HOSPITAL, E.—R.M.O. (male).

EASTBOURNE: PRINCESS ALICE MEMORIAL HOSPITAL.—(1) R.H.S. (male). (2) Two Hon. Anaesthetists.

GLASGOW: ROYAL SAMARITAN HOSPITAL FOR WOMEN.—Assistant Radiologist.

GOLDEN SQUARE THROAT, NOSE, AND EAR HOSPITAL, W.—H.S. (male).

HARROGATE ROYAL BATH HOSPITAL.—R.M.O. (male).

HEREFORDSHIRE GENERAL HOSPITAL.—H.P. (male).

HOSPITAL FOR EPILEPSY AND PARALYSIS, Maida Vale, W.—(1) R.M.O. (2) H.P. Males.

HOSPITAL FOR SICK CHILDREN, Great Ormond Street, W.C.—R.M.O. (unmarried) at Country Branch Hospital, Tadworth.

ILFORD: KING GEORGE HOSPITAL.—H.S. (male).

ITALIAN HOSPITAL, Queen Square, W.C.—Hon. Assistant P.

KING'S COLLEGE HOSPITAL, Denmark Hill, S.E.—Radiologist.

LANCASHIRE MENTAL HOSPITALS BOARD.—Deputy Medical Superintendent at County Mental Hospital, Whittingham.

LEICESTERSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL.—R.M.O. (male, unmarried) at County Sanatorium and Isolation Hospital, Markfield.

MANCHESTER: ST. MARY'S HOSPITALS.—(1) Two H.S. at Whitworth Street West Hospital (Maternity), and (2) H.S. at Whitworth Park Hospital (Gynaecological Department).

MERTHYR TYDFIL EDUCATION COMMITTEE.—Assistant School M.O. (male).

MERTON: NELSON HOSPITAL.—R.H.S. (male, unmarried).

MILLER GENERAL HOSPITAL, Greenwich Road, S.E.—Ophthalmic S.

NOTTINGHAM GENERAL HOSPITAL.—H.P.

PRESTON COUNTY BOROUGH.—Assistant School M.O. (male).

PRINCE OF WALES'S GENERAL HOSPITAL, N.—(1) Hon. Medical Registrar. (2) Hon. P. to Department of Physical Medicine.

PRINCESS ELIZABETH OF YORK HOSPITAL FOR CHILDREN, Shadwell, E.—(1) H.P. (2) C.O.

QUEEN CHARLOTTE'S MATERNITY HOSPITAL, Marylebone Road, N.W.—Hon. Ear, Throat, and Nose S.

READING: ROYAL BERKSHIRE HOSPITAL.—(1) H.P. (2) H.S. (3) C.O. Males.

ROCHDALE INFIRMARY AND DISPENSARY.—J.H.S.

ROTHERHAM HOSPITAL.—C.H.S. (male).

ROYAL MASONIC HOSPITAL, Ravenscourt Park, W.—R.S.O. (male).

ST. THOMAS'S HOSPITAL.—P.

SAMARITAN FREE HOSPITAL FOR WOMEN, Marylebone Road, N.W.—H.S.

SMETHWICK COUNTY BOROUGH.—Senior Assistant M.O.H.

SOUTH LONDON HOSPITAL FOR WOMEN, Clapham Common, S.W.—H.P. (female).

SOUTHAMPTON: ROYAL SOUTH HANTS AND SOUTHAMPTON HOSPITAL.—Hon. Clinical Assistant to Ear, Nose, and Throat Department.

SOUTHEND-ON-SEA GENERAL HOSPITAL.—C.O. (male).

SOUTHPORT GENERAL INFIRMARY.—J.H.S. (unmarried).

STAFFORD: COUNTY MENTAL HOSPITAL.—Temporary A.M.O. (male).

STAFFORDSHIRE GENERAL INFIRMARY.—H.P.

SWANSEA GENERAL AND EYE HOSPITAL.—H.P. (male, unmarried).

WEST END HOSPITAL FOR NERVOUS DISEASES, Gloucester Gate, N.W.—Senior H.P. (male).

WESTERN OPHTHALMIC HOSPITAL, Marylebone Road, N.W.—(1) Surgical Registrar. (2) Senior R.H.S. (3) J.R.H.S.

WESTERN SKIN HOSPITAL, Hampstead Road, N.W.—Hon. Pathologist.

CERTIFYING FACTORY SURGEONS.—The following vacant appointments are announced: Strathdon (Aberdeen), Church Gresley (Derby). Applications to the Chief Inspector of Factories, Home Office, Whitehall, S.W.1, by April 16th.

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BIRTHS, MARRIAGES, AND DEATHS

The charge for inserting announcements of Births, Marriages, and Deaths is 9s., which sum should be forwarded with the notice not later than the first post on Tuesday morning, in order to ensure insertion in the current issue.

BIRTHS

JESSIMAN.—At St. Chads, Birmingham, on April 2nd, to Helen Mary, wife of James B. Jessiman, M.D., of St. Giles, Malvern Link, a daughter.

RIX.—On March 28th, 1934, at 27, Hyde Gardens, Eastbourne, to Eileen M. Rix, M.B., B.S. (née Turner), wife of H. Rodway Rix of Ipoh, F.M.S., a son.

SCOTT.—At Bournemouth, on March 25th, 1934, to Winifred Alice, wife of Gordon Scott, M.D., a son.

MARRIAGE

CHEETHAM—BIRCH.—At Hope Church, Wigan, on April 2nd, J. W. Cheetham, M.D., to Marjorie Birch, M.B., Ch.B., only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Birch of Gidlow Lane, Wigan.

DEATH

FRANKLIN.—On April 1st, 1934 (Easter Day), at 177, New Church Road, Hove, Lawrence Franklin, M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P., late of Southwick, Sussex. Cremated at Brighton Crematorium, Thursday, April 5th, 1934, at 12.15 p.m.

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